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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL REQUEST FOR DATA

REF: (A) STATE 132148

(B) STATE 135617

1. PARAGRAPH TWO BELOW SETS FORTH DATA FOR DEPARTMENT'S RESPONSE ON POINTS OUTLINED PARAGRAPH THREE REFTEL A. WE HAVE NOT RPT NOT INCLUDED A STATISTICAL PROJECTION OF U.S. MISSION PERSONNEL FOR FY-75 AND FY-76. WITH THE SIGNING OF A CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT IN FEBRUARY 1973 AND CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE FORMATION OF A NEW COALITION GOVERNMENT, THE MILITARY AND POLITICAL SITUATION IN LAOS IS UNDERGOING RAPID AND SOMEWHAT UNPREDICTABLE CHANGE. THESE CHANGES HAVE HAD AND WILL CONTINUE TO HAVE A MAJOR DIRECT IMPACT ON THE ROLE OF THE U.S. MISSION IN LAOS. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, WE HAVE NO REALISTIC BASIS ON WHICH TO MAKE A PRECISE PERSONNEL PROJECTION TWO OR THREE YEARS INTO THE FUTURE. THE ONE ASSURED OBSERVATION THAT CAN BE MADE IS THAT THE TREND OF U.S. PERSONNEL PRESENCE, DIRECT HIRE AND CONTRACT, WILL BE DOWNWARD, AS A NUMBER OF MISSION FUNCTIONS ARE PHASED DOWN OR COMPLETELY ELIMINATED. WE ANTICIPATE, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT TOTAL PERSONNEL AND COSTS OF COMPANIES PROVIDING AIR CONTRACT SERVICES (PRIMARILY AIR AMERICA AND CONTINENTAL AIR SERVICES, INC.) WILL BE REDUCED AT LEAST 80 PERCENT PRIOR TO FY-75. CURTAILMENT OF THESE AND OTHER PROGRAMS AND THE CORRESPONDING REDUCTION IN THEIR PERSONNEL WILL ALSO LEAD TO READJUSTMENTS IN SUPPORTING STAFF. FOR MUCH THE SAME REASON, WE HAVE NOT MADE PROJECTIONS REGARDING U.S. CIVILIANS IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR. IF THE DEPARTMENT

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CONSIDERS IT IMPERATIVE TO INCLUDE SUCH A REPORT TO CONGRESS-
WOMAN ABZUG, WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT FIGURES FOR FY-74 ALSO BE
USED FOR FY-75 AND FY-76, SINCE WE HAVE NO GROUNDS TO ASSUME
THAT THE NON-OFFICIAL PRESENCE WILL EITHER RISE OR FALL.

2. FOLLOWING TABLES PROVIDE DATA ON AMERICAN PRESENCE, BY YEAR, FOR FY-72 - 74. THE NUMBERS OF PERSONNEL ARE GIVEN AS OF JULY 1 OF EACH FISCAL YEAR. INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN LAOS REPORT NO RECORD OF AMERICAN CITIZENS EMPLOYED FY 72 - 74. TABLES BELOW MAY BE CONSIDERED UNCLASSIFIED.

FY-72

A. CONTRACTUAL PERSONNEL

PROGRAM	PERSONAL SERVICES		INDIRECT	
	EMP	COST	EMP	COST
STATE	4	\$ 19,800	2	\$ 12,000
USIS (GRANTEES)	8	41,600	-	-
DEFENSE (GENL)	1	16,000	19	358,800
ENGLISH LANG. INST.			4	1/
USAID (GENL)	12	228,200	42	1,025,000
LAO AIR DEVELOPMENT			12	2/
BORROWER/GRANTEE			11	144,486
AIR CONTRACT 3/				
AIR AMERICA			276	4/
CONTINENTAL AIR SVCS			90	4/
AMERICAN SCHOOL	33#	269,000	-	-
NAFE (AM. COMM. ASSOC)	2	32,900		

B. OTHER

	NUMBER
INTL. ORGS.	0
NON-PROFIT ORGS	13
USG RETIREES	119##

1/ - PERSONNEL COSTS NOT AVAILABLE; RECOMMEND REQUEST INFO FROM DOD/W

2/ - LAO COMPANY WITH SOME AMERICAN PARTICIPATION. REQUESTED INFO IS CONSIDERED PRIVILEGED COMPANY INFO.

3/ - USAID AIR CONTRACTING AGENCY; SERVICES PROVIDED FOR AID AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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OTHER COMPONENTS OF MISSION

4/ - PERSONNEL COSTS NOT AVAILABLE; RECOMMEND REQUEST INFO FROM COMPANY HEADQUARTERS

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#26 - DEPENDENTS OF MISSION PERSONNEL

- 54 DIRECT HIRE MISSION EMPLOYEES; 70 CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEES;

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FY-74

A. CONTRACTUAL PERSONNEL

PROGRAM	PERSONAL SERVICES	INDIRECT
EMP	COST	EMP COST
STATE	1 \$ 6,600	6 \$ 28,000
USIS (GRANTEES)	8 37,900	- -
DEFENSE (GENL)	1 16,000	7 113,200
ENGLISH LANG. INST.		3 1/
AIR CONTRACT 2/		
AIR AMERICA	- - 200	3/
CONTINENTAL AIR SVCS	- - 55	3/
DEA	.5 3,900	
USAID (GENL)	8 185,600	46 1,154,150
ARIZONA HELICOPTER CO.	- - 14	4/
BORROWER/GRANTEE	- - 25	584,000

#20 - DEPENDENTS MISSION EMPLOYEES

- 49 DIRECT HIRE MISSION EMPLOYEES; 69 CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEES;

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FY-73

A. CONTRACTUAL PERSONNEL

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PROGRAM	PERSONAL SERVICES	INDIRECT
EMP	COST	EMP COST
STATE	4 \$ 22,500	3 \$ 13,000
USIS (GRANTEE)	8 37,900	- -
DEFENSE (GENL)	1 16,000	19 358,800
ENGLISH LANG. INST.		4 1/
AIR CONTRACT 2/		
AIR AMERICA		232 3/
CONTINENTAL AIR SVCS		88 3/
USAID (GENL)	4 88,400	42 1,035,600
LAO AIR DEVELOPMENT		12 4/
BORROWER/GRANTEE		18 400,500
AMERICAN SCHOOL	40# 334,000	- -
NAFE (AM. COMM. ASSOC)	2 5,500	- -

B. OTHER

NUMBER
INTL. ORGS. 0
NON-PROFIT ORGS. 13
USG RETIREES 125##

AMERICAN SC LOL	40#	351,000	-	-
NAFE (AM. COMM. ASSOC.)	3	55,000		

B. OTHER	NUMBER
INTL. ORGS.	0
NON-PROFIT ORGS	13
USG RETIREES	44##

C. PRIVATE SECTOR	NUMBER
RESIDENT BUSINESSMEN	14
STUDENTS	2
MISSIONARIES/CLERGY	52
DEPENDENTS OF ABOVE	75
OTHER	17

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DOD/W

2/ - AIR CONTRACTING AGENCY; SERVICES PROVIDED FOR AID AND OTHER
COMPONENTS OF MISSION

3/ - PERSONNEL COSTS NOT AVAILABLE; RECOMMEND REQUEST INFO FROM
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COMPANY HEADQUARTERS

4/ - PERSONNEL COSTS NOT AVAILABLE; RECOMMEND REQUEST INFO FROM
AID/W

- 26 DEPENDENTS MISSION PERSONNEL

- 43 DIRECT HIRE MISSION EMPLOYEES; 1, NAFE
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